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72162-243315

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: )  
AGARWAL, ASHOK )  
Serial No: 09/974,637 )  
Filed: October 9, 2001 )  
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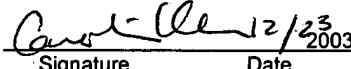
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2003, in connection with  
the above-identified application, please enter and consider the following amendment  
and remarks.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): ASHOK K. AGARWAL  
 Appln. No.: 09 | 974,637  
 Series Code ↑ | Serial No. ↑

Filed: October 9, 2001

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
 PO Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim	For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)
A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT made	
B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	
C. <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith	
D. <input type="checkbox"/> made previously	

	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	24	**minus	21	3	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$54
3. Independent Claims	3	***minus	3	0	x \$86/\$43 =	+ \$0
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) .....		add		+ \$290/\$145 =	+ \$0	1203/2203
5. Original due Date: December 26, 2003	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached	(1 mo)	\$110/\$55 =				1251/2251
	(2 mos)	\$420/\$210 =		+ \$0		1252/2252
	(3 mos)	\$950/\$475 =				1253/2253
	(4 mos)	\$1,480/\$740=				1254/2254
	(5 mos)	\$2,010/\$1,005=				1255/2255
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract		- \$0				
8.		Extension Fee	+ \$0			
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee .....		+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0			1814/2814
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), .....	add	+ \$180	+ \$0			1806
or if Rule 97(d) Request .....	add	+ \$180	+ \$0			1806
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) .....		+ \$770/385	+ \$0			1809/2809
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b).....		x \$770/385 ea	+ \$0			1810/2810
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) .....		+ \$770/385	+ \$0			1801/2801
14. Petition fee for .....		+ \$0				
15.		TOTAL FEE =	\$54			
16. *If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".						
17. **If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.						
18. ***If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.						

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 (Our Order No. 72162 | 243315

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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